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Reply to Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

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On page 3, after line 25 and before "Description of the Invention", please insert the following amended paragraph:

## --BREIF BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

Figure 1 illustrates a diffuser plate in the process of the invention.

Figure 2 illustrates a fluidized bed dryer in the process of the invention.

The fluidized bed used to produce the granules of the Examples, as illustrated in the two Figs. Figures 1 and 2, has a cylindrical fluidized bed chamber 1 from which a conical widening leads to a cylindrical stabilizing chamber 8 onto which the waste air outlet 9 is welded. Air is supplied primarily via the inflowing air channel 6 which opens into the inflowing air distribution chamber 5 from which the inflowing air passes through the diffusor 7 into the fluidized bed chamber 1. According to the invention, the fluidized bed dryer also has an air supply system above the diffusor 7. This air supply system is formed by two air injection tubes 3 which are arranged at a uniform distance apart from one another and at an angle of incidence  $\alpha = 60^{\circ}$  on the outer wall 2. In this fluidized bed dryer, the usual resting height of the bed material is 0.2 m and the air injection tubes 3 are situated at 30% of that height. Discharge from the continuously operated fluidized bed takes place via the grading tube 4.--